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Subject: FW: Description of coordination between Dr. Ritter and Dr. Shaikh
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Cc: R6HarveyENVL; Price, Lisa; Rauscher, Jon; Turner, Philip
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Good morning Troy,

I am taking a look at the proposal. Also, I am aware that folks are working the project with the counties. Let's touch base as more information becomes available. Feel free to call me.

Thanks.

Taim.

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Hi Taim,

I wanted to let you know that the wheels are still turning here. I've attached a draft project plan for your review. Would you like to touch base in the morning (Monday)?

Troy

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Thanks Troy. I appreciate it.

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Hi Taim,

Thanks for summarizing our coordination call in writing. The folks with ESF-8 would like to work with EPA to address issues related to private domestic drinking water wells in the impacted areas of Texas. ESF-8 leadership wants to make sure that our State partners in DSHS and TCEQ are supportive of the selected course of action. We think the course of action described below, consisting of large-scale well disinfection and testing, represents one course of action. We would like to take a short pause while we consult with State partners.

Troy

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Hi Troy,

I am putting together a note to run up the chain. Please comment on the language below in italics and let me know if you agree that it captures our discussions.

Thanks so much.

Taim.

Private Domestic Drinking Water Wells Sampling Under ESF-8

On 09/08/2017, at 14:30 pm CST, Taimur Shaikh with the EPA Region 6 REOC Environmental Unit had a coordinating call with Dr. Troy Ritter with ATSDR to discuss and elaborate on possible disinfection assistance and sampling of private domestic drinking water wells. Dr. Ritter relayed that CDC is expecting a mission assignment under ESF-8 to address private domestic drinking water wells (private domestics). The CDC noted that they intend to enlist EPA as a supporting agency under ESF-8 with particular interest in sampling teams and analyses addressing total coliforms. It was explained to EPA to expect a sub-mission assignment and funds to execute the assignment. The discussion centered on the composition and possible roles and responsibilities of "strike teams" tasked to assist resident who rely on private domestics, private domestic subject matter experts, Quality Assurance Project Plans (QAPPs), available GIS support in targeted preparation for receiving samples, a joint public service announcement and total coliforms analysis (EPA Region 6 Houston Lab is capable of running approximately up to 175 per day). Potential EPA Resources that might be brought to bear include 29 Community Involvement Coordinators (CICs), residential sampling packages for private domestics, and technical support through the EPA Region 6 REOC Environmental Unit.

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